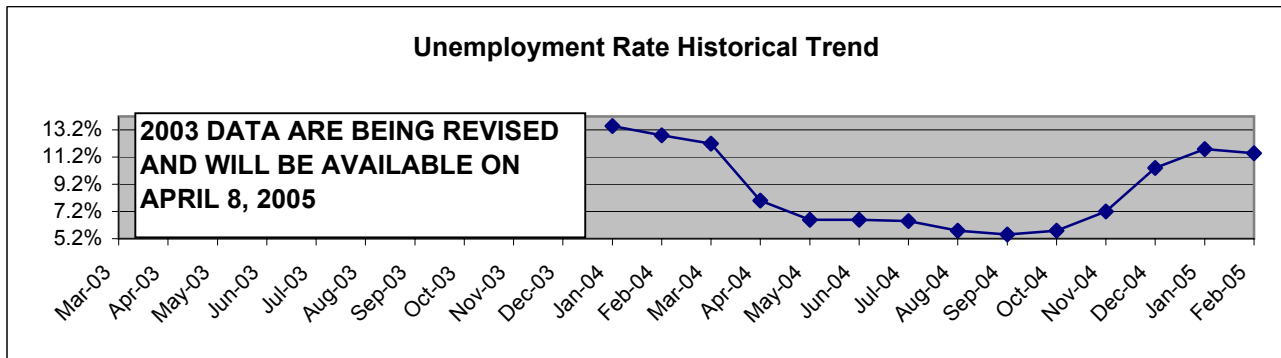


IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
SALINAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)  
(Monterey County)

The unemployment rate in Monterey County was 11.5 percent in February 2005, down from a revised 11.8 percent in January 2005, and below the year-ago estimate of 12.8 percent. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 6.1 percent for California and 5.8 percent for the nation during the same period.



Industry	Month to month changes			Year to year changes		
	Jan-2005	Feb-2005	Change	Feb-2004	Feb-2005	Change
Total Jobs	150,800	153,500	2,700	151,200	153,500	2,300
Farm Jobs	26,500	26,900	400	25,800	26,900	1,100
Nonfarm Jobs	124,300	126,600	2,300	125,400	126,600	1,200
Natural Resources and Mining	200	200	0	200	200	0
Construction	6,900	7,000	100	6,600	7,000	400
Manufacturing	6,800	6,900	100	7,200	6,900	(300)
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	25,400	25,400	0	24,500	25,400	900
Information	2,300	2,300	0	2,300	2,300	0
Financial Activities	6,100	6,200	100	5,900	6,200	300
Professional and Business Services	11,000	11,200	200	11,400	11,200	(200)
Educational and Health Services	12,000	12,000	0	12,200	12,000	(200)
Leisure and Hospitality	19,900	21,200	1,300	20,200	21,200	1,000
Other Services	4,700	4,800	100	4,600	4,800	200
Government	29,000	29,400	400	30,300	29,400	(900)

Notes: Data not adjusted for seasonality

Data may not add due to rounding

Additional data are available on-line at [www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov](http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov)

**Salinas MSA**  
**Monterey County**  
Industry Employment & Labor Force  
March 2004 Benchmark

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	Feb 04	Dec 04	Jan 05 Revised	Feb 05 Prelim.	Percent Change Month Year	
Civilian Labor Force (1)	203,100	200,800	200,800	204,200	1.7%	0.5%
Civilian Employment	177,100	179,900	177,100	180,900	2.1%	2.1%
Civilian Unemployment	25,900	20,800	23,800	23,400	-1.7%	-9.7%
Civilian Unemployment Rate	12.8%	10.4%	11.8%	11.5%		
(CA Unemployment Rate)	6.7%	5.7%	6.3%	6.1%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	6.0%	5.1%	5.7%	5.8%		

Total, All Industries (2)	151,200	154,600	150,800	153,500	1.8%	1.5%
Total Farm	25,800	27,500	26,500	26,900	1.5%	4.3%
Total Nonfarm	125,400	127,100	124,300	126,600	1.9%	1.0%
Total Private	95,100	97,600	95,300	97,200	2.0%	2.2%
Goods Producing	14,000	14,200	13,900	14,100	1.4%	0.7%
Natural Resources and Mining	200	200	200	200	0.0%	0.0%
Construction	6,600	7,100	6,900	7,000	1.4%	6.1%
Manufacturing	7,200	6,900	6,800	6,900	1.5%	-4.2%
Durable Goods	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,700	6.3%	6.3%
Nondurable Goods	5,600	5,300	5,200	5,200	0.0%	-7.1%
Food Manufacturing	3,800	3,700	3,600	3,600	0.0%	-5.3%
Residual-Beverage and Tobacco Product Mfg	1,800	1,600	1,600	1,600	0.0%	-11.1%
Service Providing	111,400	112,900	110,400	112,500	1.9%	1.0%
Private Service Producing	81,100	83,400	81,400	83,100	2.1%	2.5%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	24,500	26,100	25,400	25,400	0.0%	3.7%
Wholesale Trade	4,600	4,800	4,800	4,900	2.1%	6.5%
Retail Trade	16,800	17,900	17,200	17,100	-0.6%	1.8%
Food and Beverage Stores	3,600	3,900	3,800	3,800	0.0%	5.6%
Residual-Miscellaneous Store Retailers	13,200	14,000	13,400	13,300	-0.7%	0.8%
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	3,100	3,400	3,400	3,400	0.0%	9.7%
Information	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,300	0.0%	0.0%
Financial Activities	5,900	6,200	6,100	6,200	1.6%	5.1%
Professional and Business Services	11,400	11,300	11,000	11,200	1.8%	-1.8%
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	5,300	4,800	4,700	4,700	0.0%	-11.3%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,700	6.3%	6.3%
Administrative and Support and Waste Services	4,500	4,900	4,700	4,800	2.1%	6.7%
Educational and Health Services	12,200	12,100	12,000	12,000	0.0%	-1.6%
Educational Services	1,800	1,700	1,700	1,700	0.0%	-5.6%
Health Care and Social Assistance	10,400	10,400	10,300	10,300	0.0%	-1.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	20,200	20,600	19,900	21,200	6.5%	5.0%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	2,300	2,200	2,100	2,200	4.8%	-4.3%
Accommodation and Food Service	17,900	18,400	17,800	19,000	6.7%	6.1%
Accommodation	7,500	7,000	6,700	7,900	17.9%	5.3%
Food Services and Drinking Places	10,400	11,400	11,100	11,100	0.0%	6.7%
Other Services	4,600	4,800	4,700	4,800	2.1%	4.3%
Government	30,300	29,500	29,000	29,400	1.4%	-3.0%
Federal Government	4,700	4,600	4,600	4,600	0.0%	-2.1%
Other Federal Government	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	0.0%	0.0%
Department of Defense	3,000	2,900	2,900	2,900	0.0%	-3.3%
State and Local Government	25,600	24,900	24,400	24,800	1.6%	-3.1%
State Government	4,900	4,600	4,500	4,500	0.0%	-8.2%
State Government Education	900	1,000	900	900	0.0%	0.0%
Other State Government	4,000	3,600	3,600	3,600	0.0%	-10.0%
Local Government	20,700	20,300	19,900	20,300	2.0%	-1.9%
Local Government Education	11,400	11,200	10,700	11,200	4.7%	-1.8%
County	4,200	4,100	4,200	4,100	-2.4%	-2.4%
City	2,400	2,200	2,200	2,200	0.0%	-8.3%
Other Local Government	2,700	2,800	2,800	2,800	0.0%	3.7%

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Note 1: Civilian labor force data are by place of residence; include self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers, & workers on strike.

Note 2: Industry employment is by place of work; excludes self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers, & workers on strike.

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